

Amendment No. 2

COMMITTEE/SUBCOMMITTEE ACTION

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| ADOPTED | <u> </u> | (Y/N) |
| ADOPTED AS AMENDED | <u> </u> | (Y/N) |
| ADOPTED W/O OBJECTION | <u> </u> | (Y/N) |
| FAILED TO ADOPT | <u> </u> | (Y/N) |
| WITHDRAWN | <u> </u> | (Y/N) |
| OTHER | <u> </u> | |

1 Committee/Subcommittee hearing bill: Education & Employment
2 Committee

3 Representative Mariano offered the following:

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5 **Amendment (with directory and title amendments)**

6 Remove lines 153-163 and insert:

7 (2) ACCREDITATION.-By July 1, 2022, the Board of Governors,
8 for state universities, and the State Board of Education, for
9 Florida College System institutions, shall identify and make a
10 determination of the accrediting agencies or associations that
11 are best suited to, respectively, serve as an accreditor for
12 state universities and Florida College System institutions. Such
13 accrediting agencies or associations must be recognized by the
14 database created and maintained by the United States Department
15 of Education. A state university or Florida College System
16 institution may not be accredited by the same accrediting agency

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17 or association for consecutive accreditation cycles. In the year
18 following reaffirmation or fifth-year review by their
19 accrediting agencies or associations, each state university or
20 Florida College System institution must seek and obtain
21 accreditation from an accrediting agency or association
22 identified by the Board of Governors or State Board of
23 Education, respectively, before its next reaffirmation date. The
24 requirements of this subsection are not applicable to those
25 professional, graduate, departmental, or certificate programs at
26 state universities or Florida College System institutions that
27 have specific accreditation requirements or best practices,
28 including, but not limited to, law, pharmacy, engineering, or
29 other similarly situated educational programs.

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32 **D I R E C T O R Y A M E N D M E N T**

33 Remove lines 145-146 and insert:

34 Section 3. Effective upon becoming a law, section 1008.47,
35 Florida Statutes, is created to read:

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38 **T I T L E A M E N D M E N T**

39 Remove lines 18-27 and insert:

40 requiring the Board of Governors and State Board of Education to
41 identify and determine accrediting agencies or associations best

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42 suited for state universities and Florida College System
43 institutions, respectively, by a date certain; providing
44 requirements for such accrediting agencies or associations;
45 prohibiting state universities and Florida College System
46 institutions from being accredited by the same agency or
47 association for consecutive accreditation cycles; requiring
48 state universities and Florida College System institutions to
49 obtain accreditation from accrediting agencies or associations
50 identified by the Board of Governors or State Board of
51 Education, respectively; providing that specified academic
52 programs are exempt from such requirements;